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## CAPCT COMMITTEE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2014

PRESENTS

### PSYCHOANALYSIS OF PREMATUREITY

*Presenter*

**Brent Willock, Ph.D.**

Dr. Willock is President, Toronto Institute for Contemporary Psychoanalysis; Board Member, Canadian Institute for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy; Faculty, Institute for the Advancement of Self Psychology. Dr. Willock is the author/editor of award-winning books and he has been honored for his many contributions including “outstanding application of psychoanalytic theory and insight to the understanding and treatment of severely emotionally disturbed children,” by the University of Chicago and the Child Analytic Program of the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis.

### TIME AND PLACE

**Monday, October 20, 2014**

**7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**8 Rean Drive, Meeting Room**

**Toronto, Ontario**

### ABSTRACT

Dr. Willock will discuss the treatment of a challenging eight-year-old boy, adopted at birth. Born six weeks prematurely, Jason spent two weeks in intensive care and resided in an incubator for two months. In the spirit of *Comparative-Integrative Psychoanalysis* (Willock, 2007), Dr. Willock draws on concepts from diverse psychoanalytic perspectives to explore this case. He emphasizes contributions of the British Object Relations school, especially as Ogden (1989) utilized them to formulate his neo-Kleinian concept, the autistic-contiguous position. Dr. Willock underscores the significance of prenatal life for the autistic-contiguous position and highlights challenges to the sensory foundations of the self/world experience presented by the birth experience, particularly when there is problematic prematurity.



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## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Increase understanding of the potential impact of problematic prematurity on personality formation.
2. Increase understanding of the relevance of diverse perspectives, especially British Object Relations and Neo-Kleinian Theory, in clinical psychoanalysis.
3. Increase understanding of the nature of therapeutic change.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

These continuing education hours can be used toward the required “750 hours of practice in the Profession” when applying for the Grandparenting option to the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario (CRPO).

Please Note: Open only to CAPCT members. Registration is **FREE**.

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RSVPs appreciated.